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Supported by significant foreign and domestic investment, Nigeria's poultry sector grew rapidly for more than two decades following independence in 1960. Beginning in the mid-1980's, however, the sector went into a protracted period of decline prompted by the Government of Nigeria's (GON) decision to ban imports of corn. The ban on corn was lifted in January 2000, but replaced with a 70 percent import duty. The situation was exacerbated by the collapse of the Nigerian economy.

The annual production of commercially grown poultry fell from 40 million in 1982 to 10 million in 1997. Nigeria's poultry production began to recover in 1998 and has increased approximately to 18 million by the end of 2000. The figure included 10 million broilers and 8 million spent hens. The increase was partly attributed to a number of fiscal incentives introduced by the GON to stimulate growth. The industry is now undergoing a degree of restructuring as it copes with higher production costs and its inability to pass these costs on to consumers.

Nigeria's total poultry meat consumption is estimated at approximately 100,000 tons. Non-commercial, or backyard production, accounted for as much as half of this figure and commercially reared poultry accounted for another 25,000 metric tons. The remaining 25,000 tons of poultry consumed in Nigeria consisted of imports. Chickens make up the lion's share of all poultry consumed in Nigeria. The total per capita consumption of chicken does not exceed 22 ounces (or about half a chicken). Nigeria has experienced a marked increase in demand for poultry meat over the past 2-3 years due in part to an increase in the number of fast food restaurants featuring chicken and the growth in sales through institutional catering facilities serving foreign companies operating in the petroleum sector.

Legal poultry imports are discouraged by the GON's decision to increase its import duty from 55 to 75 percent in January 2001. As a result, all imported poultry meat enters Nigeria illegally and evades duty payment. The imported chicken, mostly leg quarters, is currently being supplied by European exporters with most of the chicken coming from the Netherlands and Belgium. Nigerian traders routinely buy from importers in neighboring countries where it is moved to the border by truck. At the border, the product is carried on to Nigerian soil where it is loaded on to another truck and moved to the interior for consumption. The price of imported leg quarters is almost 30 percent below the price of locally produced chicken.

Although the GON officially lifted its ban on poultry meat imports in 1998, imports remained blocked by a refusal of the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control, an agency of the Ministry of Health which regulates all food imports into Nigeria, to issue needed import documentation. Nigeria also initiated new customs inspection procedures in May, 2001 for 100 percent inspection of all containers entering Nigerian ports. The GON hopes that this will lead

to a reduction in import avoidance schemes routinely utilized by Nigerian importers.

Source: USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service.

European Union

Egg consumption per person in the European Union has slipped from 203 eggs per person in 1999 to 202 eggs per person in 2000. Both of these years are well below the 1998 highs of 212 eggs consumed per person. Egg production for 2000 was estimated at 82 billion eggs, down by 2 percent from the 83.5 billion eggs produced in 1999.

Egg imports totaled 730 million in 2000, which was down slightly from the 732 million eggs imported in 1999. Exports of eggs, meanwhile, contracted by more than 4 percent in 2000 to 3,250 million eggs from 1999's 3,404 million eggs exported.

The total number of eggs available for internal consumption in 2000, as a result, was down 1.7 percent at 79.50 billion eggs.

Source: The International Egg Commission

Japanese Powdered Egg Imports (in tons)

Month	Powdered			Total
	Whole Eggs	Powdered Yolks	Powdered Albumen	
2000				
January	230.1	139.3	861.1	1,230.5
February	132.3	64.2	811.5	1,008.0
March	187.9	192.1	805.4	1,185.4
April	227.9	133.3	801.7	1,162.9
2000 To-Date	778.2	528.9	3,279.7	4,586.8
2001				
January	233.2	199.3	910.1	1,342.6
February	177.9	172.4	758.2	1,108.5
March	211.1	194.9	905.1	1,311.1
April	303.6	161.4	561.0	1,026.0
2001 To-Date	925.8	728.0	3,134.4	4,788.2

Source: ALIC Monthly Statistics

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Jul 28, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000 /1	2001	2000
Liquid	335	249	6,384	3,792
Frozen	0	0	78	126
Dried	0	0	40	340
Total	335	249	6,502	4,258

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

	Week Ending Jul 28, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000 /1	2001	2000
Liquid	131	205	3,065	3,487
Frozen	0	56	768	462
Dried	16	0	325	643
Total	147	261	4,158	4,592

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Jul 28, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000 /1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	0	87	981
Extra Large	2,890	2,259	30,306	26,754
Large	3,110	3,655	69,808	84,517
Medium	1,500	1,283	28,348	20,634
Ungraded	12,570	14,850	207,920	171,814
Misc	2,250	0	52,779	7,887
Total	22,320	22,047	389,248	312,587

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 28-Jul-01
(PRELIMINARY) **U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,690	1,447	3,137
LAST WEEK	1,661	1,534	3,195
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,799	1,723	3,522
TO-DATE/2001	53,273	40,874	94,147
TO-DATE/2000	58,783	42,358	101,141

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	403	8	411
LAST WEEK	278	8	286
SAME WEEK YR AGO	665	19	684
TO-DATE/2001	13,918	207	14,125
TO-DATE/2000	14,774	323	15,097

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	2,093	1,455	3,548
LAST WEEK	1,939	1,542	3,481
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,464	1,742	4,206
TO-DATE/2001	67,191	41,081	108,272
TO-DATE/2000	73,557	42,681	116,238

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

CHICKEN 03-AUG-2001
PRICES VOLUME
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	20.00-21.00	204,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		20.60		

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15-20%				
RANGE	18.00-20.00	14.00-20.00	1,713,800	571,200
WTD AVERAGE	19.21	17.86		

20% OR MORE
RANGE - - - -
WTD AVERAGE
* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

CHICKEN 03-AUG-2001
PRICES VOLUME
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	23.00	-	200,000	-
WTD AVERAGE	23.00			

CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	18.00-23.00	19.50-21.00	500,000	160,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.92	20.50		

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15-20%				
RANGE	17.75-21.00	16.00-21.00	1,720,000	900,000
WTD AVERAGE	19.19	18.51		

20% OR MORE
RANGE - 17.00 80,000 -
WTD AVERAGE 17.00
* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 3 AUGUST 2001.

The undertone of tom breast meat was steady at best. Demand on tom breast meat was slow on frozen, improved on fresh and ranged fair to instances good mostly fair with interest noted for deferred shipments. The undertone on destrapped tenderloins was steady to fully steady, mostly steady with fresh held with the most confidence. Demand was slow to moderate. Domestic trading centered on a moderately heavy volume of fresh tom breast meat, balance light. Mature destrapped tenderloins traded at 145 cents shipping point. The export market was active with trading centered on a heavy volume of frozen thigh meat, balance light. Export demand was noted from multiple destinations including Asia, Caribbean, Central America, Mexico, Eastern Europe and Russia. Hen drums traded at 30, mixed defatted gizzards 43, frozen mature thigh meat 56, and whole tenderloins 133 cents delivered export.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 03, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.00-29.00		28.31	168	28.15	1,396
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	27.50	80	27.79	188
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	26.00-28.00		27.00	208	27.54	676
TAILS	27.00-31.00		27.93	172	27.37	436
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	17.00-18.00		17.11	180	17.68	616
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	56.50-58.00		57.04	784	57.38	2,496

THURSDAY, AUGUST 02, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.00-29.00		27.61	264
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	27.00-28.00		27.50	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	28.80	260
TAILS		W	27.00	264
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	18.00		18.00	156
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	54.50-57.00		56.32	460

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 01, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.50-29.00		28.19	620
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	28.00		28.00	108
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	28.50-30.00		28.80	260
TAILS	27.00		27.00	264
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/	17.00-18.50		17.86	280
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	57.00-60.00		57.97	764

TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	29.00		29.00	160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		M	26.50	208
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		R	22.00	200
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	58.00		58.00	208

MONDAY, JULY 30, 2001**EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	27.00-29.00		27.87	184
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	26.50		26.50	208
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/		R	22.00	200
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	58.00		58.00	280

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY
2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.